H. Sauter's Formosa-Ausheute. Geometridae (Lep.).

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Until within the last 5 years scarcely any thing was recorded concerning the Geometridae of Formosa. Moore (Proc. Zool. Soc.Lond. 1866, p. 365) gave a list of 10 species from Takow, 2 of which have since been referred to other families. Butler (ibid. 1880, p. 686-8) also furnished a short list (11 true Geometridae, 2 of them wrongly assumed to be new to science, 2 or 3 erroneously or insufficiently determined) from the same locality. Hampson (Faun. Ind. Moths 1895,, p. 111) cites Formosa as a locality for 10 species, Gymnoscelis ectochloros and Alcis acaciaria being new records for the island, but the former a misidentification, the Formosan ally being distinct, probably — albicandata Warr. Matsumura (Cat. Lep. Japan, 1905) quotes Hampson's 10 without emendation or addition. In 1899 Warren described as new 4 species collected by Jonas (Nov. Zool. VI). In 1902 Swinhoe added Antilycanges pinguis (Trans. Ent. Soc. Lond. 1902, p. 660). So far as 1 am aware, this completes the records prior to 1909.

Recently, however, extensive collections have been made by Dr. Moltrecht and by Mr. A. E. Wileman, chiefly in the Arizan (or Arisan) district, and various papers by Bastelberger, published in 1909¹) and 1911²), and by Wileman, in 1910—1912³), have made known a considerable number of new species and subspecies. Particular mention should be made of Bastelberger's "Beiträge zur Kenntnis der Geometriden-Fauna der Insel Formosa" (Iris, loc. cit.), in which he furnishes a systematic catalogue of the 109 species⁴) included in the Moltrecht collections up to that date and offers a few generalisations on the fauna.

Dr. Bastelberger recognizes three elements: (1) species peculiar to Formosa, either very distinct from all others known and perhaps representing an indigenous fauna, or closely allied to others yet sufficiently differentiated by long geographical isolation: (2) forms belonging to the Japanese fauna; (3) those which are not met with again until

¹) Ent. Zeit. (Stuttgart) XXIII, p. 33 - 34, 39 - 40, 77; Iris XXII, p. 166 - 182.

Ent. Rundschau XXVIII, p. 22-23; Intern. Ent. Zeit. (Guben) IV, p. 241-242, 248-249, V, p. 54; Soc. Ent. (Frankfurt a. M.) XXV, p. 89-90.

³⁾ Entom. (London) XLIII = XLV, passim.

⁴) This number is obtained by deducting 2 mere aberrations which are there separately numbered and adding no. 71 bis; one or two others, however are given as pretty certainly only subspecies.

one reaches the Himalayan region. The third group, as he truly remarks, is the most numerous. I would even go further and assert that the connection of the Formosan with the distinctively Palaearctic fauna of Japan proper, East Siberia, etc., is so slight as to be almost negligeable. Naturally those species which are common to N. India and Japan without noticeable geographical modification, such as Brabina artemidora Oberth., Asthena (Laciniodes) plurilinearia Moore and many others, may occur in Formosa without throwing any light on the zoogeographical problems; but when we come to the case of differentiable races (such as Erebomorpha fulguraria Walk.) or affied species (such as Nothomiza costalis Moore and formosa Butl., Abraxas leopardina Koll. and its Japanese relatives of the sylvata group) the Formosan forms invariably appear to favour the Indian. Probably when more is known of the Geometridae of Central and Southern China, intermediate localities will be discovered for many of the Indian species. Already some affinities are observable with the fauna of Hong Kong (as Heteralex aspersa Warr.), Hainan (as Zanclopera calidata Warr.), Chang Yang (as Heteromiza obliquaria Leech), etc.

The Sauter-eollection, consisting of 545 specimens, proves a very important contribution. Including 12 from Japanese localities, but nearly all essentially Indo-Australian in their character, there are represented 162 species, distributed among the subfamilies as follows: Oenochrominae, 6; Hemitheinae, 13; Acidaliinae, 23; Larentiinae, 35; Geometrivae (Boarmiinae), 85. To two worn specimens in difficult genera (Pisoraca and Sauris) I have not ventured to assign names, and two or three of the determinations at which I have arrived on inadequate or defective material (as in Acidulia and Chloroclystis) must be regarded as provisional; but for the most part the material is in very satisfactory condition and I have expended great care on its working-out. less than 96 of the species (marked*), or considerably over one-half, appear to be hitherto unrecorded for Formosa, though it must be added that Matsumura has included some Formosan species in his "Thousand Insects of Japan" (!) and as this work is in Japanese I may have missed some records. Two of his species are mentioned in the present paper, but as I have unfortunately only had a single brief opportunity of looking at his figures I am unable to give the determination of his Gnophos formosana (Supp. 2, p. 96, t. 25, f. 9) and one or two others, and may have mayoidably neglected synonymy.

The types of the 23 novelties which I am here describing are all in Coll. Deutsch. Ent. Mus.

Subfam. Oenochrominae.

- *1. Heteralex aspersa Warr. =2 5, both rather fight-coloured. Kosempo, Aprif.
- 2. Eumelea aureliata Guen. 3 ♂, 1 ≠. Polisha, August 1908; Chip-Chip, December 1909; Pilam, July 1912; Kosempo, December 1911.
- *3. Eumelea ludovicata Guen. = 17. Lake Candidius, 25 September to 10 October 1907.
- 4. Derambila saponaria Guen. (= fragilis Butl.). -- 6, Alikang, September-October 1909; 2, Kosempo, October 1911; 1, Sraisharyo, October 1911. Mostly worn specimens. Butler's type of fragilis (also worn) was from Formosa; by oversight this locality was omitted in ..Lepidopterorum Catalogus".
- *5. **Derambila satelliata** Walk. 3 ½: Kosempo, January 1910; Shisha, May June 1912; Punkiko (Japan), August 1911.
 - *6. Naxa textilis Walk. 2, Shisha, May June 1912.

Subfam. Hemitheinae.

- 7. Pingasa ruginaria Guen. 1 β , Karapin (Japan), August 1911; 2 $\frac{1}{4}$, Kosempo, July and October 1911.
- *8. Terpna subtrita Prout, nov. sp. \updownarrow , 59 mm. Very closely similar to haemataria H.-Sch., especially on the upperside. Cell-marks thicker, especially that of the hindwing; costal spot at base of forewing smaller, the line which runs from it almost entirely obsolete; the purple red striation between the next line and the cell-mark denser and more extended, the same colour occupying also the basal area of the hindwing as far as to the cell-mark but not reaching the costal margin. Both wings beneath fess orange coloured at base, the purple-red subbasal shading of the upperside reproduced in dark brown grey, the black cell-spot of the hindwing less rounded, the spots between the cell and the marginal markings almost entirely obsolete, whereas in haemataria they are large and conspicuous. Kosempo, July 1911, a single example.
- 9. Terpna (Lophophelma) taiwana Wileman. Kosempo, 1-5, October 1911, 3-7, July and December 1911; Shisha, 1-7, May—June 1912; Alikang, 1-7, October 1909. This species has no close connection with Orthorisma netunaria Guen., with which its author compared it, but is very nearly related to crionoma Swinh., though sufficiently distinct larger, ground-colour less dark with less white markings, first two lines of forewing more distinct, underside less clean white,

with the border less sharply black. Also larger than neonoma Hmpsn., the dark markings coarser, a long cell-mark distinct on the hindwing, the dark border on the underside rather narrower.

- 10. Dindica subrosea Warr. (= purpurata Bastelberger nov. syn.). 2 5, Shisha, May—June 1912 and Sokutsu (Banshoryo district) 1912. I can find no essential distinction between the Formosan specimens (described by Bastelberger as purpurata) and the Indian form subrosea. The Formosan examples are perhaps rather smaller, the discal spot of forewing beneath perhaps on the whole larger, the border of both wings beneath on the whole better developed; if it should prove a constant form it will stand as subsp. purpurata.
- *11. Comibaena inductaria Guen. Alikang, October 1909, one worn 3 of this very widely distributed species.
- *12. Comibaena argentataria Leech. 13, apparently not differing materially from the Chinese and Japanese examples. Kosempo, October 1911.
- *14. Thalassodes falsaria Prout. A pair from Kosempo, October 1911; a 5 from Kankau (Koshun), April 1912; a 7 from Kanshirei, June 1910. A smaller, yellower-green 7 taken at Kosempo with these, is either a noteworthy aberration or a separate species, the white strigulation less developed, the postmedian line of the forewing very slightly concave.
- *15. Hemithea tritonaria Walk. 1 β , Alikang, 1909; 1 β , Kosempo, October 1911; both are large specimens.
- 16. Chlorissa chlorissodes Prout. 2 \circlearrowleft , Kosempo, November 1911 and Kankau (Koshun), May 1912. Unfortunately both are worn, but there can be little doubt that they belong to the species described by me from the \sharp as an aberrant *Microloxia*. But these \ncong have 4 spurs on the hindtibia and it appears that the species will have to form a new section of *Chlorissa*, with the \sharp antenna pectinated. I suspect this is *melinaria* Bastelberger, Iris XXII, p. 173 (nec. H.-Sch.).
 - *17. ('yelothea disjuncta Walk. 155, Alikang, October 1909.
- *18. Diplodesma ussuriaria Brem. (= eluta Wileman). -2 β , Alikang, September 1909. The lines appear rather straighter than in typical examples, perhaps more resembling mundaria Leech, which is very likely only a large western form of ussuriaria.
- 19. **Hemistola rubrimargo** Warr. 1 7. Punkiko (Japan), August 1911.

Subfam. Acidaliinae.

- *20. **Somatina plynusaria** Walk. **2** 3, Kosempo, October 1911; 1 2 Taihoku, 7 April 1912.
- *21. Somatina rosacea anaemica Prout, nov. subsp. 3 31 mm, \$29 mm. Much paler than typical rosacea Swinh, from the Khasi Hills, the rosy hue almost entirely lacking, the coloration being about as in pale anthophilata Guen.; hind angle of forewing without black spots. Abdomen dorsally whitish, not (as in rosacea) rosy with white spots. Kosempo, October 1911 (3 type); Alikang, November 1911, 1 \$\varphi\$.
- 22. Synegiodes histrionaria ornata Bastelberger (\equiv lentiginosaria Wileman, nov. syn.). =1 \sharp 1 \ddagger , Shisha, May = June 1912; 2 \ddagger , Suisharyo, February 1912; 1 \ddagger , Kankau (Koshun) 1912; 1 \ddagger , Karapin (Japan). August 1911. Both Bastelberger (Ent. Zeit. Stuttg. XXIII. p. 34, 39, 1909) and Wileman (Entomologist XLIV. p. 401, 1911) regarded this as a separate species, the latter placing it in Anisodes. I consider it merely a deeply coloured local race of histrionaria Swinh. from Assam, with the dark shading in the distal area more continuous. The structure is identical, arcole single, $2^{\rm nd}$ subcostal of hindwing usually very shortly stalked. In hyriaria Walk., to which Hampson wrongly sunk histrionaria, the arcole is double, the $2^{\rm nd}$ subcostal rarely if ever stalked.
- *23. Timandra extremaria Walk. = 1 \(\frac{1}{3}\), Alikang. October 1909; 1 \(\frac{1}{3}\), Chip-Chip, February 1909; 1 \(\frac{1}{3}\) 2 \(\frac{1}{3}\), Kosempo. December 1911, January 1910 and October 1911; 1 \(\frac{1}{3}\), Taihorin, 22 November 1911.
- *24. Timandra convectaria Walk. 6 3, 5 4, Suisharyo, Kosempo, Alikang, Kanshirei, Kankau and Taihorinsho. Variable in size. Hampson sinks this to amata L.; it is a good species, nearer to his correspondens.
- *25 Problepsis deliaria albidior Warr. 1 5. Kosempo, October 1911, expanding 36 mm. This form was described from Kulu and Ichang and I have seen similar examples from the Khasi Hills and from Satsuma. Perhaps (at least in some localities) it is nothing more than an aberration of deliaria Guen.
- 26. Antitrygodes divisaria perturbata Prout, nov. subsp. $-\Im \mathfrak{P}$. 32—34 mm. Rather smaller than divisaria divisaria Walk, from India, termen generally rather less strongly crenulate, cell of forewing slightly shorter; the green patch distally to the cell smaller, subapical patches on an average smaller and more separated, the dark line proximally to these not simnous; a curved postmedian fine of dots visible about midway between the dark line and the green patches; the reddish submarginal spot on \mathbb{R}^2 of hindwing usually very small. Arcole of forewing closed

at its extremity; in *divisaria divisaria* often open. Kosempo, November 1911, $1 \supsetneq (\text{type})$; Yamo no Taiko, October 1911, $1 \supsetneq$. Also both sexes in coll. Wileman.

- 27. Antilycauges pinguis Swinh. -1 3, 3 \circ , Anping, July—September. Swinhoe's type came from Formosa, without more exact locality, but the species is distributed throughout Eastern China from Tientsin to Tonkin.
- *28. Acidalia moorei orientalis Prout, nov. subsp. Intermediate in colour between moorei moorei Leech and rufigrisea Prout, on an average rather nearer to the latter. Differs from both in having black dorsal spots on the abdomen (as in extimaria Walk, and some forms of walkeri Buti.) and in having the diseal dot of the hindwing much more mixed with rust-brown, sometimes indeed with only a few scattered black scales remaining. Suisharyo, February 1912, 41 3. Also a 3 from Karapin (Japan), August 1911. It is remarkable that among so long a series there should be no \$\phi\$; she must be very sluggish, or of different habits to the \$\phi\$.
- 29. Acidalia kagiata Bastelberger. A long and variable series, and comprising three distinct forms. It is not impossible that they may represent separate species, but as they agree in structure and in all essential markings I do not think this very probable. If Bastelberger is correct in stating that the dark median shade of the forewing runs to the apex (which seems to me very unlikely), I must have misidentified Sauter's species, but the rest of the description fits well to the form which I shall for the present regard as name-typical, though it is probably not quite so sharply marked as Bastelberger's type. It has about the size, coloration and general appearance (excepting the shape) of A. nigropunctata Hufn., the black vein-dashes which accompany the postmedian line present on the forewing only, and even here commonly small and slight. Suisharyo, 1 \$, 1 \$, December 1911 and February 1912; also 1 & from Karapin (Japan), August 1911. — f. emma Prout is smaller (normally 22-24 mm), both the ground-colour and the markings more tinged with rufous or flesh-colour, the oblique median shade and the postmedian line less strongly developed, but the latter accompanied on both wings by conspicuous black dashes on the veius. Kosempo, 2 3, October 1911, Alikang, 3 2, September—October 1909; 2 5 from Suisharyo must also be referred here though rather larger (26 27 mm), slightly more grey-dusted and with stronger median shade, thus somewhat intermediate towards the normal Suisharyo form. I described emma (Seitz Macrolep. IV, p. 75) from Chungking

(Szechuan) and as a separate species, but notwithstanding the wide geographical distance I can find no difference at all in the Formosanform.

e defectiscripta Prout, nov. form., is of the size of the form cmma, ground-colour of the name-type but less strongly dusted with grey. lines less grey, generally weaker, the median shade more stender, on both wings entirely without black vein-dashes. Alikang, 3 5, October 1909 and May 1911: a 5 from Kosempo, January 1910, is rather larger and slightly deeper-coloured, the black dots on the postmedian line of the forewing slightly indicated, thus intermediate towards the name-type.

- 30. Acidalia ligataria Walk. = 1 3, Anping, May 1911. Also known from Central and Southern India and Birma. It may be, as Hampson supposes, identical with *nictata* Guen., founded on a single 3 in very barl condition from North India.
- 31. Acidalia indigenata Wileman. 1 \circ , Suisharyo, October 1911. I am not at all sure whether this is anything more than a larger, darker (greyer-tinged) form of the preceding, but as the hindwing appears slightly less strongly angled at R³ and slightly more crenulate throughout I hesitate to sink it.
- *32. Acidalia sybillaria Swinh. 3 \(\pi\), Alikang, November 1909, Suisharyo, December 1911. Kosempo, 7 May 1912. Only the first is in perfect condition; this and a \(\pi\) from Koamana in coll. Wileman have rather larger cell-dots and more sharply marked underside than Swinhoe's types from Ichang. The other examples are larger, that from Suisharyo greyer, weakly merked, that from Kosempo very worn, the discal dots large, identification somewhat uncertain.
- *33. Acidalia actuaria Walk. 2 55 (Anping, July 1910; Kosempo, October 1911) fully agree with this widely distributed Indian species, unless perhaps the teeth in the postmedian line be a little stronger than usual. Thus my personala (Seitz Macrolep, IV. p. 60) cannot be, as I suggested, the eastern representative of the same. The group is, however, an exceedingly difficult one, depending largely on slight distinctions in the 5 hindtarsus, and I am now inclined to think that Fletcher may be right in sinking actuaria to minorata Bsd. A worn from Anping. May 1912, probably belongs also to actuaria, possibly to personala.
- 34. Acidalia absconditaria Walk. 1 5. Kankau (Koshun), June 1912: 1 7. Sokutsu (Banshoryo district), 7 June 1912. Hampson is probably right in sinking this to nesciaria Walk. (— remotata Hampson, nec Guen.), described from Ceylon and widely distributed in India,

but as I am not yet certain, I prefer to use the safer name, too much mischief having already been done by hasty lumpings in this difficult genus. Walker's type of absconditaria, from Foo-chow, agrees perfectly with the Formosan form. Recorded from Formosa by Matsumura (Cat. Ins. Japon. Lep. p. 120) as remotata, no doubt quoting Hampson; specimens from the island have for many years stood in the British Museum collection.

*35. Ptychopoda sinicata Walk. — 6 \(\frac{1}{2}\), Kankau (Koshun), April, June and July 1912; 1\(\frac{1}{2}\), Kosempo, June 1912. Besides Walker's type from Foo-chow and a\(\frac{1}{2}\) from Ting-hai (Fokien) I know only the Formosan specimens. Related to muricata Hufn. in structure and colouring but much smaller, rather narrower-winged, the rosy purple colour disposed in more regular lines, though these vary in width and there is sometimes a suggestion of a rosy suffusion.

*36. Ptychopoda paraula Prout, nov. sp. - 5, 17 mm. Size, shape, coloration and antennal structure as in impexa Butl., or with the groundcolour very slightly lighter, the hindwing perhaps not quite so fully rounded; hindleg with the femur and tibia longer-haired. Forewing with costal and subterminal reddish or purplish bordering about as in impexa, the latter, however, not quite so close to the termen; reddish discal dot stronger than in impexu, a fine, slightly sinuous median line touching it distally, antemedian and postmedian fines present as dots on the veins, fringe with reddish dots at vein-ends. Hindwing with antemedian line, cell-dot and postmedian series of dots; subterminal shade starting near the apex, sinuous, receding from the termen, disappearing about the middle of the wing, a terminal reddish shade from apex to 2nd or 3rd radial, a reddish spot at tornus; fringe-dots only well developed in anterior half of wing. Underside also rather more strongly marked than in impexa. Alikang, October 1909, one example only.

*37. Ptychopoda invalida Butl. (?). — A small, worn \(\text{p}\) from Alikang, September 1909, may be provisionally referred to this species, which appears to be distributed in Japan. Korea and Eastern to Central China. A larger \(\text{i}\) from Suisharyo, 22 December 1911, also worn, may be a weakly marked aberration of the same, though the forewing is more pointed than usual. A small, more reddish tinged \(\text{j}\) from Alikang, October 1909, I am also inclined, according to the structure, to regard as an aberrant invalida, but more extensive and better material is required for the clucidation of these forms.

*38. Anisodes pallida Moore. — 1 5, 1 \(\gamma\), Atikang, October and November 1909. Median shade weaker than in most of the forms, the

under surface (as is also the case in a Sikkim example of ab. perscripta Warr, which lies before me) rather brighter pink on the forewing, rather clearer whitish on the hindwing. Without doubt widely distributed, but the exact range cannot be given, as two or three species are probably mixed. Turner (Proc. Linn. Soc. N. S. Wales XXXII, p. 691) describes as pallida a species with quite different palpus; in the 5 of the present species the 3rd joint is elongate, about two-thirds as long as the 2nd. Moore's type was from Ceylon.

- *39. Anisodes effeminata Prout, nov. sp. = 5, 36 mm. Remarkably like Mesotrophe intortaria Guen, in size, shape, colour and markings, but with normal Anisodes hindleg and venation. Hindleg not clothed with hair; long and slender, with a single pair of well developed spurs. Palpus nearly 3 times as long as diameter of eye, 3rd joint clongate. Areole moderately large. Face pale, not mixed with crimson excepting two spots at the upper extremities. Forewing with postmedian series of dots strong, rather less curved basewards in anterior part than in intortaria; no conspicuous blackish subterminal dots. Hindwing with the discal occilus larger than in intortaria, filled-in with the ground-colour, not with white. Under surface paler, forewing with rosy occilus, rosy median shade and dentate postmedian line, the latter with rosy patches beyond, some less definite rosy suffusion or dusting in other parts of wing; hindwing similar but with the rosy markings rather weaker and less extended. Polisha, August 1909, a single example.
 - 40. Brachycola absconditaria Walk. = L., Kosempo, January 1910.
- *41. Pisoraca lichenaria Swinh. = 1 5. Alikang, October 1909. Regarded by Hampson as "the Khasi form" of variospila Warr. which he formerly misidentified as monetaria and which is distributed in India. They are certainly separate species but in any case lichenaria is the older name. New for Eastern Asia.
- 42. Pisoraea sp. = 15. Kosempo, October 1911. I cannot identify this with any species known to me, but unfortunately it is too worn for description. Superficially it appears very like those forms of Anisodes pallida in which the discal ocellus of the hindwing is most strongly developed, or like a small varios pila Warr., but the hindtibial armature differs from both, the middle spur being present, and widely removed from the terminal, of which only one is developed. Palpus long and thin.

Subfam. Larentiinae.

- *43. Acasis viretata Hb. 1 5. Suisharyo, February 1912.
- *44. Trichopterigia consobrinaria Leech. 1 3, Suisharyo, February 1912. — Described from Gifu.

- 45. Heterophleps variegata Wileman. -1 5. Suisharyo, February 1912, rather less variegated than Wileman's type from Arizan. Described as a *Dysethia*, but that name is a synonym variegata belongs to the typical section $-\beta$ antenna with fascicles of cilia.
- *46. Microloba bella Butl. = 1 \(\pi\) Shisha, May—June. 1912: 1 \(\pi\), Pilam, July 1912. Also 1\(\pi\) and 1\(\pi\) from Punkiko and Karapin (Japan), August 1911. Widely distributed from N. India to Japan and liable to very little variation.
- *47. Sauris olivacea Warr. 3., Kosempo. October 1911; 1., Suisharyo, October 1911. Apparently referable here, but mostly worn. I cannot compare Warren's Sikkim type, but a specimen from the same district in the British Museum collection is rather narrower winged; on the other hand the Fermosan specimens appear quite like the Hong Kong from.
- 48. Sauris sp. 1 7. Suisharyo, February 1912, worn. Apparently similar to the preceding but probably of a less olivacious green, the 3rd joint of the palpus appreciably shorter.
- 49. Samis interruptata Moore. -1 5, 1 $\bar{\varphi}$, Kosempo, 22 December and October 1911. Only known to me from India., Hampson merged this and several other forms in the very widely distributed hirudinata Guen, and called interuptata a "female form". I prefer for the present to regard it as a species.
 - *50. **Hypocometa clauda** Warr. 1 5, Chip-Chip. February 1909.
 - 51. Phthonoloba decussata Moore. 1.5. Suisharyo, February 1912.
 - *52. Cryptoloba cinerea Butl. 1 3. Shisha, May—June 1912.
- 53. Cryptoloba etaina Swinh. = 15, Punkiko (Japan). August 1911. This and the three preceding species are all characteristically North Indian.
- 54. Lohogonia aculeata Wileman. 15, 14, Suisharyo. February 1912 and October 1911; I4, Alikang. October 1909. L. sphagnata Bastelberger is closely allied, possibly even a form of the same species, though I scarcely think so.
- *55. Naxidia punctata Buth. 2 5 Shisha, May June 1912; 1 4, Suisharyo, February 1912. Also a 5 from Punkiko (Japan), August 1911. Previously known from N. India and W. China.
- *56. Triphosa rubrodotata Walk. -1_{\pm} , Suisharyo, 22 December 1911.
- 57. Photoscotosia atrostrigata insularis Bastelberger. 1 3, Suisharyo, February 1912.

- 58. Photoscotosia miniosata Walk.—35, Suisharyo, February 1912.
- *59. Telenomeuta punctimarginaria Leech. 1 7, Hoozan, September 1910; 2 4, Kosempo, April 1912. Range, Japan to Central China.
- 60. Dysstroma citrata L. (= immanata Haw.). = 4 \(\mathcal{J}\), Suisharyov February 1912. Very constant among themselves, all having the forewing dark, with the median band only slightly blacker, the red-brown colour proximally and distally to it indistinct, the pale costal patch therefore conspicuous, as are also the white dots on the inner margin at the end of the basal and the beginning of the median band. May probably be cited as \(f_i\) fumula Bastelberger. That this is not, however, the only Formosan form of this widely distributed and enormously variable species is shown by the Wileman collection and by Bastelberger's papers. The forms which the latter records as \(Polyphasia \) cinercata Moore, \(P.\) subapicavia Moore and \(P.\) scalata Bastelberger without doubt belong = at least in part = here.
- *61. Xanthorhoë (Ochyria) saturata Guen. 1 ≠ of this very widely distributed species, Suisharyo, February 1912.
- 62. Melanthia procellata clathrata Warr. 1\(\frac{1}{4}\), Karapin (Japan), August 1911. Bastelberger (Iris XXII, p. 170) quotes also subsp. inquinata Butl. (the Eastern Palaearetic form) for Formosa, but this is probably an error. The series from Kanshirei and Koannania in coll. Wileman belong entirely to the Khasi form (? species) clathrata, with strong sexual dimorphism, strong dark lines in the \(\frac{1}{2}\), clean white ground-colour in \(\frac{1}{4}\), subcostal vein not bright rust-colour, border of forewing broad, with white spot at tornus.
- 63. Euphyia curcumata Moore (= formosicola Bastelberger, nov. syn.). = 14. Punkiko (Japan), August 1911. Distal area of forewing (except the oblique subapical streak) strongly infuscated, hindwing and underside almost uniformly dark smoke-colour; median band of forewing with stronger distal projection in the middle. Probably a mere aberration, as I have seen typical curcumata from Formosa. Bastelberger's description of Paralophia viridilineata (Ent. Zeit. Stuttg. XXIII, p. 77; suppressed in Iris XXII) fits perfectly to dark forms of this species, but it is certainly not a Pavalophia; perhaps its author discovered it was only a form of his formosicola, but no information is given. It should be added that this species, founded on a4, has been misidentified by Hampson, who regards as curcumata an apparently unnamed species from Simla and Dalhousie with pectinate 3 autenna. In true curcumata, of which I have before me both sexes from Sikkim, the 3 autenna is

minutely ciliated; aridaria Leech, from W. China and Kulu, is probably only a slight modification of curcumata, while formosicola Bastelberger (Ent. Zeit. Stuttg. XXIII, p. 39) seems purely a synonym.

*64. Euphyia rectilinea Warr. — 1 \circlearrowleft , Kosempo, January 1910; 1 \circlearrowleft , Alikang, September 1909. The group to which this and the next two species belong (*Ecliptopera* Warr.) nearly agrees with *Lygris* except in the lack of the pencil of hairs on the forewing beneath. Hampson regards rectilinea, hitherto recorded from N. India and Celebes, as a form of the S. Indian dissecta Moore but the different shape of the central band, the less sharply marked underside, etc., seem to me to indicate a probable species.

*65. Euphyia benigna Prout, nov. spec. — 39, 41—45 mm. Very close to rectilinea; palpus apparently somewhat more robust; 3 autenna even more minutely ciliated (in rectilinea the ciliation is, in part, nearly half as long as the diameter of the shaft), forewing with the white lines more sharply expressed, those which bound the median area broader, median area broader, its triangular anterior part reaching to behind vein M², its posterior part also enlarged, the white lines which bound the two parts consequently confluent for some distance between M2 and the fold, the white distal line of median area much more deeply indented on SM², subterminal line markedly indented on SC⁵ and R¹, enclosing semicircular spots of the ground-colour proximally; hindwing with distal margin slightly more rounded, ground-colour much whiter to beyond the postmedian line, the latter better expressed, more deeply dentate on the median veins, another dentate line, nearer the base, present on the inner-marginal half of the wing; the dark blotches of the underside are less strongly developed, but on the other hand the lines are better indicated, chiefly by rows of spots or dots. 2 33, Alikang, October 1909 (type and cotype); 1♀, Karapin (Japan), August 1911.

*66. Euphyia delecta Butt. — 1 ♀, Kosempo, December 1911. Described from N. India.

*67. Atopophysa indistincta opulens, nov. subsp. — 3, 31 mm. Differs essentially from typical indistincta Butl. in its much darker colour. Forewing dark bluish slate-colour, more or less irrorated with olive-brownish, the lines olive-brown, the teeth on the veins blackish; hindwing and underside also darker, more bluish grey. Suisharyo, February 1912. Cotypes (both sexes) from Arizan, September 1906 and August 1908 (A. E. Wileman) in coll. Brit. Mus. and coll. Wileman.

68. Cambogia lunulosa duplicilinea Wileman. — 3 3, Alikang, October-November 1909. lunulosa Moore is widely distributed; dupli-

- cilinea (described as Chrysocraspeda) is only a slight modification, similar to examples from Singapore and Bali, the crimson markings as bright as in Bali specimens but less extended. The name-type was from Ceylon.
- 69. Cambogia (Acolutha) pictaria Moore. 17, Punkiko (Japan), August 1911.
- *70. Eupithecia incurvata Moore. = 1 5, 14, Suisharyo, December and October 1911. A very distinct species, the termen of the forewing Jess oblique and the hindwing relatively longer than in typical Eupithecia. Not uncommon in the Khasi Hills but I think not yet recorded elsewhere.
- *71. Eupithecia (Eucymatoge) eupitheciata Walk. 1 \(\varphi\), Alikang, November 1909. Widely distributed in the Indo-Australian Region.
- *72. Chloroclystis recensitaria Walk. (?). A rather worn γ from Kosempo, April 1912, seems to be referable to this species, hitherto known from Dharmsala, the Nilgiris and Ceylon.
- *73. Chloroelystis indicata Hampson (! Walk.). 1 \(\pi\), Kosempo, October 1911, rather worn. Pretty evidently belongs to the same species which Hampson describes from S. India under this name: 1 am, however, by no means satisfied that Walker's type (from Borneo) is the same. It is not impossible that the Formosan specimen before me is a large, dark, weakly-marked form of the preceding species.
- *74. Ziridava xylinaria Walk. = 1 \(\varphi\), Kosempo, January 1910. A widely distributed species, India, Borneo, etc.
- *75. Collix ghosha Walk. $4 \, \varphi$, Kosempo, June and October 1911, one in fair condition, 3 much rubbed. Widely distributed in the Indo-Australian Region.
- *76. Collix stellata Warr. (?) 2 \(\frac{1}{3}\), Kosempo, September and October 1911. Larger than the preceding and agreeing with Warren's description of his species (from the Khasis) in having the subterminal line broken up into white dots, but with the ground-colour at least as brownish as in ghosha. The cell-spot of the forewing is somewhat differently shaped, forming a very irregular limite with its posterior part larger and thicker than its anterior. Hampson, probably in error, has sunk stellata to ghosha. Extremely like rufipalpis Hupsu, but not quite so large, the palpus less long and less ochreous.

of this. It has the same large, round cell-spot on the forewing above, but the tone of colour is more like that of *ghosha*, the underside almost entirely as in *ghosha*, and it may possibly be a large form thereof with strong dark costal markings at the commencement of all the lines of the forewing.

Subfam. Geometrinae (= Boarmiinae).

- *78. Ourapteryx ebuleata Guen. 5 3, Shisha, May-June 1912.
- 79. Ourapteryxpicticaudata Walk. $-2 \circlearrowleft .2 \circlearrowleft$, from the same locality as the preceding and with the costal strigulation and discal mark so weak as to suggest a possibility that they might be a white form thereof. From the shape, the lines, the fringes and the existence of intermediates I determine them, however, as a form of picticaudata; formosana Matsumura and approximaria Wileman are probably synonyms.
- *80. Thinopteryx crocoptera Koll. -1 3, 5 \circ Shisha, Kosempo, Polisha, Alikang and Suisharyo, variable as usual.
 - *81. Bapta platyleucata Walk. 1 3, Suisharyo, February 1912.
- 82. Bapta mytylata Guen. 1 3, Shisha, May-June 1912. Belongs to the form *margarita* Moore. This species and the preceding are closely related and occur together in many localities of N. India.
- *83. Aplochlora vivilaca Walk. 5 β , Kosempo, June and October 1911; 1 φ , Alikang, 7 October 1909.
- 84. Tanaoctenia haliaria Walk. 1 $\, \stackrel{\frown}{\circ} \,$, Banshoryo (Shisha), May-July 1912.
- *85. Nothomiza costalis flavicosta Prout, nov. subsp. \$\cap \pi\$, 24 to 32 mm. Very much smaller than the Bengal type \$\pi\$ of costalis Moore and ab. pulchra Butl., both of which in the only examples (\$\pi\$) known to me measure about 52 mm. Smaller even than the Khasi form (which will perhaps have to be known as intensa Warr., though that name was founded on a dark aberration), which expands about 34—40 mm; the distal costal yellow spot relatively larger, the curved dark line of the hindwing in general more sharply expressed, the underside with the pattern often showing through. Variable in the amount of dark clouding. Sokutsu (Banshoryo district), 7 May 1912 (type, \$\pi\$); Alikang, October 1910, 1\$\bar{\pi}\$, a dark aberration nearly paraflel to intensa Warr. Other Formosan examples (both sexes) are in coll. Brit. Mus. and coll. Wileman and the British Museum has an old specimen from ",N. China" which has long borne the M. S. name of flavicosta Warr., here a lopted. (Fortsetzung folgt.)